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TITLE: METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION )  
OF 2,4,5-TRIMETHYLPHENYL )  
ACETIC ACID )

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks and Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

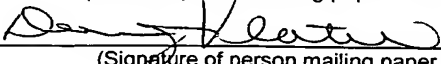
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